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1. DEPARTMENT IS EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN EMBASSY ANALYSIS
PROVIDED PARA 2 REFTEL AND, WITH DOD, CONCURS THAT A STUDY
WOULD BE USEFUL. HOWEVER, BEFORE WE CAN BEGIN TO CONSIDER
SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDY EFFORT WE NEED FROM THE
COUNTRY TEAM A MORE DETAILED FRAMEWORK ASSESSMENT WHICH
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PROPOSED STUDY.

2. STAFFING WITHIN DOD AND DISCUSSIONS WITH NAVY AND
COAST GUARD INDICATE A NEED FOR A COUNTRY TEAM ASSESSMENT
TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

A. PRESENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COLOMBIAN NAVY.

B. PRESENT COLOMBIAN NAVY FORCE MODERNIZATION PLANS INCLUDING PLANNED HARDWARE ACQUISITIONS, TRAINING AND HOW THEY RELATE TO COLOMBIAN NAVY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.

C. HOW COLOMBIAN NAVY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FIT INTO OVERALL COLOMBIAN MILITARY PLANS.

D. SPECIFICS OF WHAT THE COLOMBIAN NAVY WANTS THE STUDY TO ACCOMPLISH.

E. COUNTRY TEAM PERCEPTION OF HOW COLOMBIAN NAVY PLANS MESH WITH OTHER RELATED INITIATIVES SUCH AS THE NEW EMPHASIS ON A-37'S FOR COASTAL PATROL, AND IMPROVED EFFORTS IN DRUG ENFORCEMENT AND ANTI-CONTRABAND.

3. ARMED WITH THESE DETAILS, DEPARTMENT WILL ADDRESS FUNDING WITH DOD AND OTHERS TO FIELD AN AUSTERE SURVEY TEAM. GIVEN FISCAL CONSTRAINTS WE WOULD NOT WANT TO PROPOSE SENDING A TEAM UNTIL WE HAVE THE RESULTS OF THE COUNTRY TEAM ASSESSMENT AS WELL AS THE PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM THE COAST GUARD/CUSTOMS SURVEY TEAM. VANCE

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